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March 14, 2007

Mr. James Galloway, Filing Clerk
Public Utility Commission of Texas
1701 N. Congress Avenue
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Re: Docket No. 24481 –*Designation of Common Carriers as Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETC) to Receive Federal Universal Service Funds Pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission's Fourteenth Report and Order Adopting a State Certification Process*

To Mr. Galloway:

On behalf of Etex Communications, L.P. d/b/a Etex Wireless, ("Etex Wireless"), I am submitting an original and eleven (11) copies of an executed affidavit on behalf of Etex Wireless concerning the above proceeding. On January 22, 2007, Etex Wireless was designated an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") by the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("PUC") in Docket No. 33580. As a newly-designated competitive ETC, Etex Wireless now submits the enclosed affidavit in order to comply with the state's annual certification process pursuant to PUC Substantive Rule 26.418 (j)(1) regarding carriers' use of Federal Universal Service Fund (FUSF) support. The state's certification submittal deadline is September 1, however, provisions in 26.418(j)(2) allow for subsequent certifications to be filed with the PUC. Etex Wireless respectfully requests that the PUC certify that the company is eligible for federal high cost support effective January 22, 2007 and convey its certification to the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") and to the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC"). USAC has established a deadline for receiving such state certification by **March 26, 2007**. We understand that the PUC's certification letter is to be provided to Ms. Marlene Dortch at the FCC and to Ms. Karen Majcher with USAC.

Etex Wireless requests the PUC provide such certification to the FCC and to USAC in accordance with provisions in CFR §54.314 (d)(6)(vi), which permit support retroactive to the date of the company's ETC designation. Should the FCC and USAC not receive the PUC certification by the March 26 deadline, Etex Wireless understands that it will not be permitted to receive support retroactive to January 22, 2007 but instead be limited to support in the third and fourth quarters of 2007.

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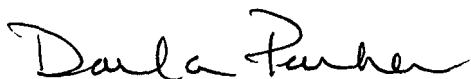
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In summary, Etex Wireless respectfully requests that the PUC find acceptable the company affirmation that Federal Universal Service funds are used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities for which the support is intended and that the company is eligible for support effective January 22, 2007. The request is that certification be provided to the FCC and USAC on or before March 26, 2007.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated. Please file-stamp the additional copies and return them to me by way of our courier. Any questions or comments may be directed to me at the above-listed address and telephone number.

Sincerely,



Darla Parker
Authorized Representative for
Etex Telecommunications L.P, d/b/a Etex Wireless

Enclosure

cc:

Mr. Danny Kellar, Etex Telecommunications L.P., d/b/a Etex Wireless

Mr. Ric Talbot, Public Utility Commission of Texas

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DESIGNATION OF COMMON CARRIERS	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
AS ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS	§	
CARRIERS (ETC) TO RECEIVE FEDERAL	§	OF TEXAS
UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUNDS PURSUANT	§	
TO THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS	§	
COMMISSION'S FOURTEENTH REPORT	§	
AND ORDER ADOPTING A STATE	§	
CERTIFICATION PROCESS	§	

STATE OF TEXAS

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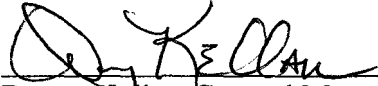
BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Danny Kellar of Etex Communications, L.P. D/B/A Etex Wireless ("the Company"), who on his oath deposed and said:

1. My name is Danny Kellar. I am employed by Etex Communications, L.P. D/B/A Etex Wireless in the position of General Manager. In this position, I am personally familiar with the Federal Universal Service support received by the Company and how the Company uses these funds.

2. Etex Communications, L.P. D/B/A Etex Wireless was designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier by the Public Utility Commission of Texas in Docket No. 33580, by order dated January 22, 2007.

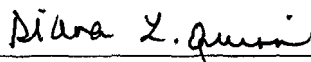
3. The Federal Universal Service support funds received by Etex Communications, L.P. D/B/A Etex Wireless are used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities for which the support is intended, as designated by the Federal Communications Commission consistent with §254(e) of the federal Telecommunications Act. These funds will be used to provide the supported services as designated in 47 C.F.R. §54.101 which are available throughout the Company's study area.

4. The matters addressed above are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct.



Danny Kellar, General Manager

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this
the 12 day of March, 2007.



Notary Public
State of Texas

SEAL:

